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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing  
is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s)  
according to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): LUNDEN, Leo  
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For: ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR SEPARATING GAS FROM FLOWING LIQUIDS

Enclosed are:

- X A specification consisting of 8 pages
- X 3 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- X Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.64 will follow
- X Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27
- X Preliminary Amendment

- ☒ Information Sheet
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with reference(s)
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 CFR 1.76
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication

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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 510.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
- ☐ The Government Filing Fee will be paid at the time of completion of the filing requirement.
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The above information is submitted to advise the USPTO of all relevant facts in connection with the present application. A timely executed Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.64 will follow.

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